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RE: Shipments to Yucca Mountain, Nevada, from US Nuclear Reactor

Dear Dr. Summerson:

1 Thank you for providing opportunity for public comment on the U.S. Department of Energy "Supplement to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository...at Yucca Mountain." Please be advised that I AM OPPOSED to any and all proposals to transport nuclear waste across our nation's highways and railways to Yucca Mountain or any other site. I expect responsible stewardship and protection of our great country, its citizens, and its natural resources and the protection of our rights to LIFE, liberty and the pursuit of happiness which includes safeguarding the health and well-being of all who dwell in this land.

2 Our roads, bridges, railways were not designed for this purpose and our lives would be almost daily impacted by the transport of this hazardous waste material through our communities. There are too many risks, including potential for naturally occurring phenomena, which could jeopardize the health of everyone in proximity to these shipments and to the storage site. Add to this, the potential for negative environmental impacts, into the millennia, to Yucca Mountain and to communities through which these shipments would travel and the only conclusion is to ask that this proposal be abolished.

3 I believe the staggering cost of this proposal would be much better applied to building and/or improving storage facilities at EACH nuclear reactor site for the storage of this material. I also believe the money would be much better spent on stricter environmental controls at existing nuclear power plants and closing those immediately which are not in compliance with strictest safeguards and regulations. It is my belief that no new nuclear power plants should be built at this time, and that more should be done to research the safe re-use of existing nuclear waste. In conclusion all decisions should be made with the intent of the highest degree of safety to public health and well-being.

In conclusion please include my letter in the public comments.

Sincerely,

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